



THE BOOKCASE



Agawam Public Library's Newsletter

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You can never get a cup of tea large enough or a book long enough to suit me. ~ C.S. Lewis

Summer Reading Programs @ the APL

READLocal Kicks Off SRP

R **READLocal 2015** returns with 11 new authors! It will be held on **Monday, June 22nd at 6:30.**

Come meet the authors and visit the Fiction Kiosk showcasing their books (plus past READLocal authors). Books will be available for purchase and signing at this event. Information on the Adult Summer Reading Program will be available and refreshments will be provided by Partner's Catering.

READLocal 2015 authors:

- Michael Fisher The Wolf Spider
- Lyric Taylor The Other Woman: Her Point of View
- Angela Grout An Angel's Journey
- Bill Moore On Character and Mental Toughness
- Sandi Michon Trench Buddies: Overcoming Life's Battles
- Jacqueline Lynch Beside the Still Waters
- Pat Williford The Paladins du Bois
- Liz Delton Meadowcity
- Isabel Marcheselli Heart's Eye
- Mike Dobbs Fifteen Minutes With: Forty Years of Interviewing
- Matt Herring The Unofficial Doctor Who Companion

Free Fun Fridays in MA

Check out www.highlandstreet.org and click on *Free Fun Fridays*. It provides a list of zoos and museums in Massachusetts that offer free admission on Fridays, June 26th through August 28th! There are 7 different locations each week, including Plimoth Plantation, Berkshire Museum and JFK Presidential Library & Museum.

“Escape the Ordinary” is Adult SRP 2015 Theme

The 11th annual Adult Summer Reading Program begins Monday, June 22nd and continues through Friday, August 14th at 12:00, with the raffle to be held that afternoon at 3:00 by the Information Desk.

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| June 22-6:30 | READLocal Book Signing |
| July 6 - 6:00 | Pastel Drawing Workshop |
| July 13 - 7:00 | Ice Cream Taste Testing |
| July 14-6:30 | Musical Heros-for families |
| July 20 - 6:30 | Edible Plants Walk & Talk |
| July 21-6:30 | Sidonia's Thread Author |
| July 28 - 7:00 | Creating Green Smoothies |
| July 30-7:00 | Home Brewing Workshop |
| Aug 3 - 7:00 | Frances Crowe-Activist |
| Aug 11 - 6:30 | The Magic (Bands) Of Disney |
| Aug. 13-10:30 | Memoir Writing Workshop |
| or 6:30 | |

Check out books from the APL on your own card, fill out a Review Slip and place it in the SRP display box. Each completed slip is used as a raffle ticket for one of 20 prizes!

Register for programs beginning June 1st, by calling the library at 789-1550 x4 or online at www.agawamlibrary.org. Some programs have limited space so sign up early!

Escape the Ordinary is sponsored by the Agawam Center Library Association, Agawam Cultural Council, MA Library System, Boston Bruins, MA Board of Library Commissioners and CSLP.

June Exhibits

Gallery Walls (Mid June-July)
Jolene Mercadante - Photographs

**Double Glass/Johnson Cases/Gallery Walls
and Conference Rooms-June 12 & 13**
3-D Art Object Show

Lower Level Glass Case
Massachusetts Breast Cancer Coalition

Anyone interested in displaying art or a special collection should contact Judith Clini at jclini@agawamlibrary.org or 789-1550 x8855.

Mercadante Photo Exhibit

Spread the Rumer is a local business started by Jolene Mercadante, Assistant Director of the Agawam Library. It is named after her first American Pit Bull Terrier, Rumer and was started to help combat the stereotypes many people have toward "pit bulls." Little did she know the effect that social media would play.

Because of Instagram, Jolene started training her pit bulls to pose for pictures. While she prefers natural photos, many people love when her dogs are dressed up or posing. This made her realize that photography shows would be another way to "spread the rumer" in changing the pit bull image.

Included in the exhibit are photos of her 3 pit bulls, Aderyn, Mei Mei and Po, and her Boston Terrier, Daisy. Mei is also the Summer Reading Program mascot in the childrens' room, complete with super-hero cape! For more information, see [instagram@mylifeinpits](https://www.instagram.com/mylifeinpits).

3-D Art Object Show

The Friends of the Agawam Library will display accepted pieces from the 3-D Art Object Show on **Friday, June 12th 10-5:30** and **Saturday, June 13th from 10-4:30**.

Book Displays for June

Fiction Display - READLocal Authors
Deliso Display - Gardening

Summer Reading Challenge!

Win money for your school library! How do you do it? Sign up for the Agawam Library Summer Reading Program and read for 20 minutes per day for 25 days. This earns your school 1 credit. The elementary school that receives the most credits will win a \$200 prize for their library, with the other 3 schools winning \$100!

These prizes are generously provided by the Friends of the Agawam Public Library.

Teen Summer Reading

Teens entering grades 7-12 are invited to join the Teen SRP. Sign up online beginning June 8th at www.agawamlibrary.org, or by calling or visiting the library. Pick up a reading log and start reading on June 25th! For each completed reading card, you will receive 1 raffle ticket. (There are also ways to earn extra raffle tickets!)

Weekly prizes include \$10 Barnes & Noble gift cards, plus a bag of candy (you must be present at the program to win). The grand prize is a \$100 bank gift card and 2 second place prizes are \$50 bank gift cards! (You will be called if you are a winner.)

Registered Teen SRP members are invited to attend the following programs:

June 29-6:30-8	Movie & Popcorn
July 14 6:30-8	Cook the Food You Want to Eat with Chef Liz Barbour
July 21 6:30-8	Teen Art with Sheila & Stan Coly of Thousand Cranes Art Studio
August 10 6-8	Teen SRP Finale Glo-Games

Summer Hours

Closed Saturdays beginning June 13th

Library Hours:

Monday-Thursday	9-9
Friday	10-6
Saturday	Closed

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